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[10746/16]**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Terada MASAYUKI et al. Confirmation No.: 7453
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For : ORIGINAL DATA CIRCULATION METHOD SYSTEM,
APPARATUS, AND COMPUTER READABLE MEDIUM
Art Unit : 2134
Examiner : Jacob LIPMAN
Customer No. : 26646

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In the Office Action mailed on September 9, 2004 (the one-month response date for which is October 12, 2004 (since October 9, 2004 is a Sunday and since October 11, 2004 is a Federal Holiday)), the Examiner required restriction/election as follow:

Restriction was required as between "Group I" of claims 72 to 85 and "Group II" of claims 86 to 116.

Accordingly, Applicants elect without traverse Group II, which includes claims 86 to 116, according to the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action on the merits.

While no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. **A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.**

Respectfully submitted,
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